

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 4, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Please take note: There will be no congregational singing and no unison readings during the service. All music will be provided by the Music Director and soloists, and readings will be done by the Pastor and Deacon.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

The Family Room at the rear of the sanctuary is available for anyone experiencing difficulty worshipping in the sanctuary.

INTROIT “We Enter Your Church, Lord” *Kim Kuda*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Our eyes have seen the Glory of the coming of the Lord. Glory Hallelujah!

Our ears have heard the Trumpet that shall never call retreat! Glory Hallelujah!

Our souls are swift to answer the Call! Glory Hallelujah!

Let us come and worship together!

HYMN “God, With Joy We Look Around Us” *Andrew Foster*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, have mercy on us. We are not ready for your coming. We live in sin, as though there is no justice. We live in fear, as though there is no grace.

Forgive us, Lord. Show us your mercy and steadfast love. Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths, for you are the God of our salvation. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the Good News.
In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI (read by Deacon)

SCRIPTURE READING James 2:1-13

SERMON “All Are Created Equal”

HYMN “We Are a Second Family” *Andrew Foster*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastoral Prayer (including prayer concerns)

Time of Silent Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father Who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response “Prayer of Peace” *Kim Kuda*

DELIGHTING IN GIVING

(The offering plates are at the back of the sanctuary.)

Invitation to Present Our Offerings

*Prayer of Dedication

All Good Gifts come from you, oh merciful Creator. Therefore, we return a portion so that the sick may be healed, the lonely may be comforted, those who experience injustice may find justice, and that your Realm may be brought more fully into this hurting world. Amen.

**If you are able to do so comfortably, please stand*

CLOSING HYMN “Battle Hymn of the Republic” *Andrew Foster*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

GUEST PASTOR - Rev. Jonathan Ryder
MUSIC DIRECTOR - Kim Kuda
DEACON & LAY READER - Lori Russell
SOLOISTS - Kim Kuda, Andrew Foster

News and Notes:

1. Due to the holiday, the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be offered next Sunday, July 11.
2. We have accumulated quite a bit of groceries in our grocery cart in the foyer thanks to your donations. The East Community Action Food Pantry is not taking donations at this time, so if you know of someone who could use the food or another facility you could deliver the food to, please contact a Deacon.



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